

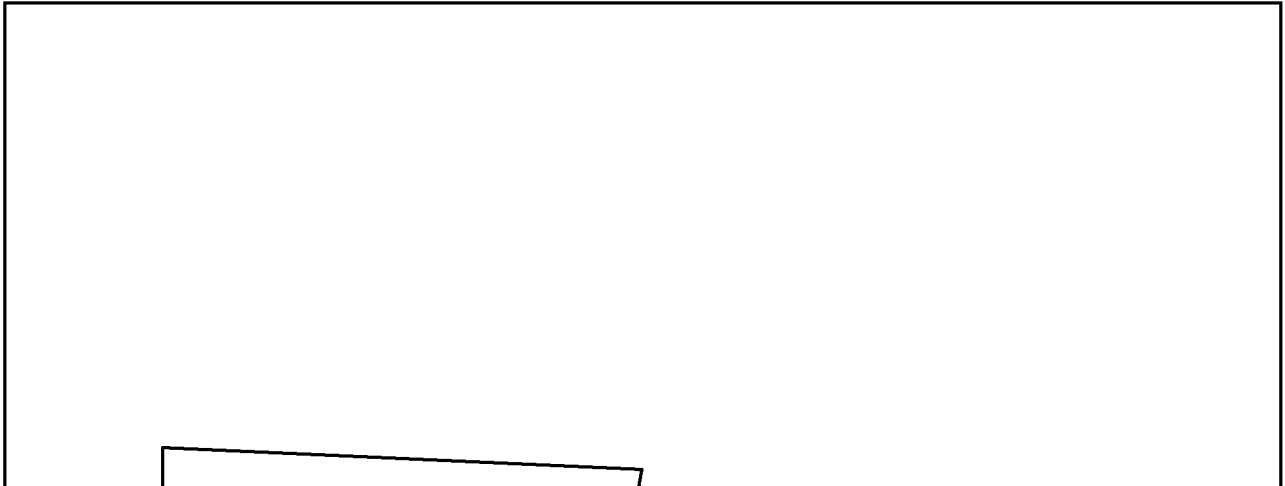
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[redacted] George Murphy, Joint Committee on Atomic Energy staff, called and said he had several letters from Senators and Congressmen concerning an article by George Todt indicating that missile bases had been established in Cuba. He asked if we could give him some assistance in handling these inquiries. I advised Murphy that we had no information which would confirm these reports, that we had reasonably good coverage on this and had looked into many reports of this nature. I advised him further that while it was possible that the Cubans had some tactical weapons, we had no information to confirm the missile rumors. I advised Murphy that in handling inquiries from constituents or the press, these Congressmen should not make reference to the Agency with regard to this matter. Murphy said he understood.

4. [redacted] Left with Ike Kendall, on the Senate Preparedness Investigating Subcommittee staff, a copy of a document entitled "Comparisons of Gross National Product in the U.S. and the USSR", dated 14 December. This document had been provided by Mr. Stoerts as a follow up to the briefing of the Preparedness staff on 11 December 1961. I also passed on to Kendall other information provided by Mr. Stoerts on other follow up items on the stockpiling of nuclear materials in the USSR.

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